

	Zone/Species	Dates (Inclusive)	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Shooting Hours
North Zone	North Zone - 2015-16				
	Teal	Sept. 5 – Sept. 20	6	18	Sunrise to Sunset 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset
	Early Canada Geese	Sept. 1 – Sept. 15	5	15	
	Youth (see Special Regulations)	Oct. 10 – Oct. 11	All species open, see bag limits for each		
	Ducks	Oct. 17 – Dec. 15	6	18	
	Mergansers		5	15	
	Coots		15	45	
	Canada Geese	Oct. 17 – Jan. 14	2	6	
	Snow Geese (Snow/Blue and Ross' Geese)		20	Unlimited	
	Brant		1	3	
	White-fronted Geese (Specklebellies)	Oct. 19 – Jan. 14	2	6	
	Conservation Order Light Geese (see Special Regulations)	Jan. 15 – March 31	Unlimited	Unlimited	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset
	Central Zone	Central Zone - 2015-16			
Teal		Sept. 5 – Sept. 20	6	18	Sunrise to Sunset 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset
Early Canada Geese		Sept. 1 – Sept. 15	5	15	
Youth (see Special Regulations)		Oct. 17 – Oct. 18	All Species open, see bag limits for each		
Ducks		Oct. 24 – Dec. 22	6	18	
Mergansers			5	15	
Coots			15	45	
Canada Geese		Oct. 24 – Nov. 15 Nov. 26 – Jan. 31	2	6	
Snow Geese (Snow/Blue and Ross' Geese)		Oct. 24 – Jan. 31	20	Unlimited	
Brant			1	3	
White-fronted Geese (Specklebellies)		Nov. 5 – Jan. 31	2	6	
Conservation Order Light Geese (see Special Regulations)		Feb. 1 – March 31	Unlimited	Unlimited	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset
South Central Zone		South Central Zone - 2015-16			
	Teal	Sept. 5 – Sept. 20	6	18	Sunrise to Sunset 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset
	Early Canada Geese	Sept. 1 – Sept. 15	2	6	
	Youth (see Special Regulations)	Nov. 7 – Nov. 8	All Species open, see bag limits for each		
	Ducks	Nov. 14 – Jan. 12	6	18	
	Mergansers		5	15	
	Coots		15	45	
	Canada Geese	Nov. 14 – Jan. 31	2	6	
	Snow Geese (Snow/Blue and Ross' Geese)		20	Unlimited	
	Brant		1	3	
	White-fronted Geese (Specklebellies)		2	6	
	Conservation Order Light Geese (see Special Regulations)	Feb. 1 – March 31	Unlimited	Unlimited	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset
	South Zone	South Zone - 2015-16			
Teal		Sept. 5 – Sept. 20	6	18	Sunrise to Sunset 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset
Early Canada Geese		Sept. 1 – Sept. 15	2	6	
Youth (see Special Regulations)		Nov. 14 – Nov. 15	All Species open, see bag limits for each		
Ducks		Nov. 26 – Jan. 24	6	18	
Mergansers			5	15	
Coots			15	45	
Canada Geese		Nov. 26 – Jan. 31	2	6	
Snow Geese (Snow/Blue and Ross' Geese)			20	Unlimited	
Brant			1	3	
White-fronted Geese (Specklebellies)			2	6	
Conservation Order Light Geese (see Special Regulations)		Feb. 1 – March 31	Unlimited	Unlimited	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset

2015 – 2016 Illinois Waterfowl Season (please refer to the Illinois Digest of Waterfowl Hunting Regulations for more regulations)

Bag Limit – DUCKS – Bag limits on ducks are as follows: The basic daily bag limit shall be 6 ducks of any species including all teal species, (except mergansers); however, no more than 4 shall be mallards (no more than 2 hen mallards) and not more than 3 wood ducks, 3 scaup, 2 redheads, 2 pintails, **2 canvasback** and not more than 1 black duck and 1 mottled duck. The daily bag limit for all mergansers is 5, only 2 of which may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit for ducks and mergansers is three (3) times the daily bag limit by species and sex.

Bag Limit – GEESE – Goose bag limits are listed in the table along with season dates for each species.

Special Regulations

Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day Regulations

- 1.) Youth hunters must be 15 years of age or younger and must have a hunting license and HIP registration/certification unless hunting on property where they reside. No stamps are required for youths under 16.
- 2.) Only geese, ducks, mergansers and coots may be taken in addition to other game in season.
- 3.) An adult at least 18 years of age must accompany the youth hunter into the field. This adult cannot hunt geese, ducks, coots or mergansers but can participate in other open seasons.
- 4.) Zone lines for Youth Waterfowl Hunt follow duck zone lines.

Conservation Order Light Goose Season Regulations (Spring Snow Goose Season)

- 1.) Unplugged shotguns may be used. There is no limit to the number of shells that may be placed in a shotgun.
- 2.) Electronic calling devices may be used.
- 3.) No federal duck stamp required.
- 4.) Illinois duck stamp and hunting license required.

SUNRISE–SUNSET TIME TABLE

The map and table provide Central Standard Time sunrise and sunset times by region from September through March.

Match month and date with the zone you hunt in and add the appropriate number of minutes for the sunrise/sunset time. These times have been adjusted to reflect the correct time on all dates, including Standard Time and Daylight Saving Time. This table is also available at www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting.



SUNRISE–SUNSET TIME TABLE

	September		October		November		December		January		February		March	
Day	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
1	6:20	7:25	6:49	6:36	6:22	4:51	6:56	4:28	7:15	4:38	7:02	5:11	6:24	5:45
2	6:21	7:23	6:50	6:34	6:23	4:49	6:57	4:28	7:15	4:39	7:01	5:13	6:24	5:46
3	6:22	7:22	6:51	6:32	6:24	4:48	6:58	4:28	7:15	4:40	7:00	5:14	6:23	5:48
4	6:23	7:20	6:52	6:31	6:25	4:47	6:59	4:27	7:15	4:40	6:59	5:15	6:21	5:49
5	6:24	7:18	6:53	6:29	6:27	4:46	7:00	4:27	7:15	4:41	6:58	5:16	6:20	5:50
6	6:25	7:17	6:54	6:28	6:28	4:45	7:01	4:27	7:15	4:42	6:57	5:17	6:18	5:51
7	6:26	7:15	6:55	6:26	6:29	4:44	7:01	4:27	7:15	4:43	6:56	5:19	6:16	5:52
8	6:27	7:14	6:56	6:24	6:30	4:43	7:02	4:27	7:15	4:44	6:55	5:20	6:15	5:53
9	6:28	7:12	6:57	6:23	6:31	4:42	7:03	4:27	7:15	4:45	6:54	5:21	6:13	5:54
10	6:29	7:10	6:58	6:21	6:32	4:41	7:04	4:27	7:15	4:46	6:53	5:22	6:12	5:55
11	6:30	7:09	6:59	6:20	6:34	4:40	7:05	4:27	7:15	4:47	6:52	5:23	6:10	5:56
12	6:31	7:07	7:00	6:18	6:35	4:39	7:06	4:28	7:14	4:48	6:50	5:25	6:08	5:57
13	6:32	7:05	7:01	6:17	6:36	4:38	7:06	4:28	7:14	4:49	6:49	5:26	7:07	6:58
14	6:33	7:04	7:02	6:15	6:37	4:37	7:07	4:28	7:14	4:50	6:48	5:27	7:05	6:59
15	6:34	7:02	7:03	6:14	6:38	4:37	7:08	4:28	7:13	4:52	6:47	5:28	7:04	7:00
16	6:35	7:00	7:04	6:12	6:39	4:36	7:09	4:29	7:13	4:53	6:45	5:29	7:02	7:01
17	6:36	6:59	7:05	6:11	6:40	4:35	7:09	4:29	7:13	4:54	6:44	5:31	7:00	7:03
18	6:37	6:57	7:07	6:09	6:42	4:34	7:10	4:29	7:12	4:55	6:43	5:32	6:59	7:04
19	6:38	6:55	7:08	6:08	6:43	4:34	7:10	4:30	7:12	4:56	6:41	5:33	6:57	7:05
20	6:38	6:54	7:09	6:06	6:44	4:33	7:11	4:30	7:11	4:57	6:40	5:34	6:56	7:06
21	6:39	6:52	7:10	6:05	6:45	4:32	7:12	4:31	7:11	4:58	6:39	5:35	6:54	7:07
22	6:40	6:50	7:11	6:04	6:46	4:32	7:12	4:31	7:10	4:59	6:37	5:36	6:52	7:08
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25	6:43	6:45	7:14	5:59	6:49	4:30	7:13	4:33	7:08	5:03	6:33	5:40	6:47	7:11
26	6:44	6:44	7:15	5:58	6:50	4:30	7:14	4:33	7:07	5:04	6:32	5:41	6:46	7:12
27	6:45	6:42	7:16	5:57	6:52	4:29	7:14	4:34	7:06	5:05	6:30	5:42	6:44	7:13
28	6:46	6:41	7:17	5:56	6:53	4:29	7:14	4:35	7:06	5:07	6:29	5:43	6:43	7:14
29	6:47	6:39	7:19	5:54	6:54	4:29	7:15	4:36	7:05	5:08	6:27	5:44	6:41	7:15
30	6:48	6:37	7:20	5:53	6:55	4:28	7:15	4:36	7:04	5:09			6:39	7:16
31			7:21	5:52			7:15	4:37	7:03	5:10			6:38	7:17

Source data for Champaign Illinois: http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/docs/RS_OneYear.php. Times have been adjusted to reflect the correct time on all dates, including during Standard Time and Daylight Saving Time. Hunters and Trappers using these tables DO NOT NEED TO ADD OR SUBTRACT AN HOUR.